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ELECTION OF THE TEN MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 43 OF THE CONVENTION

Note by the Secretary-General

Addendum

The present addendum contains seven nominations for election to the Committee on the Rights of the Child that were received after submission of the list of candidates by the Secretary-General on 14 January 1991 (CRC/SP/2). Biographical data of the persons nominated, as furnished by the States parties concerned, are contained in the annex to the present document.

Name of candidate	Nominated by
Mrs. Fatoumata Diaraye DIABY	Guinea
Mrs. Assop Ngabuol IDZUMBUIR	Zaire
Mr. Alimamy N. D. KOROMA	Sierra Leone
Mr. Ahmed Abdel-Halim MOHAMED	Sudan
Mrs. Mabel NIETO-CARTIN	Costa Rica
Mrs. Ngo Ba THAN	Viet Nam
Mr. Vaclav VACEK	Czechoslovakia

Annex

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

Fatoumata Diaraye DIABY (Guinea)

[Original: French]

Nationality: Guinean

Date and place of birth: 4 October 1956, Dakar (Republic of Senegal)

Marital status: Married, one daughter

Ministerial department: Ministry of Social Affairs and Employment, P.O. Box 527, Conakry, Republic of Guinea

Employer: National Department of Social Affairs
Child Protection
P.O. Box 527, Conakry

Studies completed: Primary education

Secondary education

Higher education

Degrees: Certificate of primary studies

Secondary-school diploma: Baccalauréat, first and second part

Higher-education diploma: Licence in Law

Professional experience:

1980-1987: Examining judge for the Court of First Instance, Conakry I

1987-1988: Director, Service for Claims and Legal Matters in the State Secretariat of Social Affairs

1988-1990: Chief of Service for Child Protection, Ministry of Social Affairs and Employment

Attended numerous seminars and workshops on support services for children and on the Convention on the Rights of the Child

Assop Ngabuol IDZUMBUIR (Zaire)

[Original: French]

I. Date of birth: 27 April 1939, in Lusanga (Region of Bandundu)

II. Education

1. Primary education: St. André primary school, Kikwit (Region of Bandundu), graduated in 1956

2. Secondary education: St. André secondary school, Ramegnies-Chin (Tournai, Belgium), 1962

3. Higher education: State Institute for Social Studies, Brussels (Belgium), 1965

4. Graduate studies: Léon Cornil School of Criminology, Free University of Brussels (Belgium), 1967

   Further study in preparation for the Doctorate in criminology, Catholic University of Louvain (Belgium), 1973

5. Post-graduate studies: Doctorate in criminology, Catholic University of Louvain, 1981

III. Teaching experience

Currently Full Professor at the University of Kinshasa

1. Secretary in charge of courses in the Department of Criminal Law and Criminology, University of Kinshasa, 1984-1985

2. Academic Secretary, Faculty of Law, University of Kinshasa, 1986-1989

3. Vice-Dean in charge of courses in the Faculty of Law, University of Kinshasa, 1988-1989

IV. Activities

A. Courses taught at the University of Kinshasa Faculty of Law

1. Youth protection

2. Prison sociology

3. Criminology

B. Other activities

1. Member of the Standing Commission for the Reform of Zairian Law, 1984 to present

2. Vice-Chairman of the Governing Board of Aid to Disadvantaged Children (A.E.D.) since June 1990 (and active member of the General Assembly of A.E.D. since 1980)

3. Supervisor-researcher at the Scientific Research Centre (Human Sciences Section) 1986-1988

4. Scientific expert in the African Bureau of Science and Education (BASE), in connection with a project of the African Centre for the Training of Assistants to Young People in Trouble (CARFIJ)

5. Advisor to the Catholic Mothers' Movement

6. Advisor to the Diocesan Committee of Catholic Intellectuals

V. Publications

1. "L'établissement de garde et de l'éducation de l'Etat de la Kasapa et les mineurs internés", Problèmes Sociaux Congolais, No. 87, 1971

2. "L'interprétation socio-culturelle de la délinquance juvénile comme résultat d'une malédiction", Périodique de l'A.E.D., No. 10, 1983

3. "Contribution du secteur économique informel à l'insertion sociale des auteurs sociaux marginalisés", Cerdas-Liaison, Bulletin d'information trimestriel, 1984

4. "La rafle comme réaction sociale au vagabondage des jeunes au Zaïre", Lettres mensuelles, Institute for Economic and Social Research (IRES), Kinshasa (Zaire), Nos. 1-2, 1985

5. "De l'enseignement et de la recherche en criminologie au Zaïre", Annales de la Faculté de Droit, vols. VIII-X, 1986

6. "Le maintien des jeunes dans un milieu actif" (for an international colloquium organized in Kinshasa, 7 to 13 December 1986, by BASE and the International Center for Comparative Criminology (ICCC) of Canada

VI. Lectures

1. As part of the colloquia organized by the Industrial Research Center for Central Africa (CRIDHAC):

   (a) Lecture on the treatment of juvenile delinquents in Zaire, at the University of Kinshasa Assembly Hall, 1983

(b) Lecture on the impact of social images on female criminality, at N'Sele (Kinshasa), 1984

2. Lecture on the impact of senior citizens on the family and on young people, given in Kinshasa and later published in Emergence africaine, Nos. 4-5 (special issue), 1985

3. Lecture on keeping young people in "active circles" as a sign of their social integration, at the international colloquium on young people, education and deviant behaviour, organized by BASE and ICCC, Kinshasa, 7 to 13 December 1986

4. Lecture on the problems involved in integrating marginal young people into society, at a colloquium organized by the Regional Committee of the City of Kinshasa, 7 to 14 October 1985

5. Lecture on the criminological concepts behind the amendments of the Zairian Criminal Code since 1960, at the second legal workshop held by the University of Kinshasa Faculty of Law, 19 to 21 June 1986

6. Several talks as part of the campaign to familiarize the public with the Family Code, which was published in 1981 and entered into force on 1 August 1987

Alimamy N. D. KOROMA (Sierra Leone)

[Original: English]

Born, Gbabai, Sierra Leone, 10 March 1943

Educational background

PhD 1973 (George Washington University), in Mathematical S. E. Statistics

MPhil 1970 (AWU), Mathematical Statistics

BSc 1967 (EWU), Mathematical Statistics, with Minor in Economics and Sociology

DIL Diploma 1965 (Iowa State University), sampling survey

GCE "A" Level 1964 (Sierra Leone Grammar School), Pure Maths, Applied Maths and Physics

GCE "O" Level 1962 (Bo Government Secondary School)

Work experience

Senior Lecturer of Statistics, University of Sierra Leone, 1973-1981

Assistant Professor in Statistics, University of District of Columbia, 1970-1973

Teaching Fellow (GWU), 1968-1970

Research Associate, American Institute for Research 1969, 1970 (part time)

Other experience

Member of Parliament, Republic of Sierra Leone, 1981 to present

Participated in the Global Parliamentary Conference in Mexico City, 1984

Secretary-General of the Sierra Leone Parliamentary Council on Population and Development, 1988 to present

Chairman, Parliamentary Action Group on Child Survival and Development, 1989 to present

National Advocate for Children, Republic of Sierra Leone, to present

Chairman, Inter-Governmental Group of Experts of the African Charter on the Rights and Welfare of the Child - Presented the African Charter on the Rights of the Child and Welfare of the Child at the Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, at Addis Ababa - July 1990

Addressed the participants of the Regional Parliamentary Seminar on Child Survival, Protection and Development

Member of the Official Delegation of His Excellency The President of Sierra Leone in the World Summit for Children held at the United Nations

Keynote Speaker on the Symposium of the African and Italian Parliamentarians and Journalists on the African Child, Survival and Beyond, in Rome, November 1989

Organized and participated in several national seminars on the survival, protection and development of the child

Piloted the early ratification of the Convention on the Rights of the Child in Sierra Leone

Chairman of the Sierra Leone chapter of the African Network on the Protection and Prevention against Child Abuse and Neglect (ANPPLAN)

Ahmed Abdel-Halim MOHAMED (Sudan)

[Original: English]

Place and date of birth: Medani, 15 April 1933

Academic and professional qualifications

1958	BSc Economics and Political Science, University of Alexanderia
1961	ALA The British Library Association, Register of Chartered Librarians
1962	Academic post-graduate diploma in librarianship, University of London
1968-1969	PhD in Education, Edinburgh. Was registered for this degree and was in residence at the University, and wrote the substantive part of the thesis, but was called back by the Sudan Government to help in establishing the Ministry of Youth, Sports, Social and Religious Affairs

Career and professional experience

1958-1962	Library Assistant, University of Khartoum
1964-1969	Director of the School of Extra-Mural Studies, University of Khartoum
1969-1971	Under-Secretary of the Ministry of Youth, Sports, Social and Religious Affairs
1971-1972	Deputy Minister of Culture and Information
1975-1976	Minister of Culture and Information
1975-1977	President of the National Council for Arts and Letters
1975-1977	President of the National Press Council
1975-1977	President of the National Cinema Corporation
1978-1981	Chairman of the Board of Directors of Al-Ayyam Printing and Publishing House
1979	Secretary to the High National Committee for Regional Rule
1980-1988	Director of Khartoum International Institute of Arabic, and Head of the Department of Documentation, Library, and Publication (1980-1989)

Membership of the People's Assembly (Parliament): 1973-1978

Member of the First Assembly

Member of the Second Assembly

Leader of the People's Assembly, Second Assembly (the Leader of the Assembly is a member of the Council of Ministers as well as Minister for Parliamentary Affairs)

Publications

A full list of books, articles, research papers and studies submitted to conferences and symposia, learned periodicals and lectures, radio and television programmes and contributions to newspapers may be consulted in the files of the Secretariat

Membership of boards, committees, commissions, societies and associations

1980	President of the Council of the Directors of the Institutes of teaching Arabic to Non-Arabic Speakers
1981	Secretary of the Board of Trustees for the Development of Arab Islamic Culture, Arab League Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organization (ALECSO)
1982-1986	Member of the Board of Directors of the Arab Fund for Literacy and Adult Education, ALECSO
1980	Member of the National Committee for Arabization, National Higher Education Council, Sudan
1986	Member of the Committee for Humanities and Social Studies, National Higher Education Council, Sudan
1985	Founding Member of Omdurman Ahlia University, Member of the Board of Trustees and the Executive Committee

A full list of memberships may be consulted in the files of the Secretariat.

Conferences

Organized and attended tens of conferences, seminars, workshops and symposia in the Sudan and at the regional and international levels, held in the Arab world, Africa, Asia, Europe and the United States of America. Had the opportunity to be the chairman of some of them, to act as secretary of or rapporteur to others, to present papers and documents to many of them, and to edit the papers and proceedings of a few.

A list showing participation in national and international conferences and seminars may be consulted in the files of the Secretariat.

Decorations and orders of honour

A list of orders and decorations may be consulted in the files of the Secretariat.

Mabel NIETO-CARTIN (Costa Rica)

[Original: English]

Born in San José, Costa Rica, 29 September 1935

Completed elementary and secondary education in San José, Costa Rica

Graduated from the Academy of the Holy Name, Albany, New York in 1952

1953-1954 studied sciences at the Manhattanville College of the Sacred Heart in White Plains, N.Y.

1961-1962 followed sociology courses at the University of Illinois

Graduated as Professor of Elementary Education at the Faculty of Education of the University of Costa Rica, 1974
In 1976, obtained a certification of Proficiency in Elementary Education from the same faculty

In 1977 obtained a Baccalaureate in the Science of Education at the University of Costa Rica

At the University of Michigan, achieved four levels of training with the Federation of Volunteer Organizations
Also, completed a course in Human Relations at the Dale Carnegie School, 1978

1961-1968, Alternate Teacher at the Anglo-American School, San José, Costa Rica

1972-1973, Deputy Director of Saint Joseph's Primary School

1973, Teacher of the Laboratory School of the University of Costa Rica

1977-1978, Teacher of the Panamerican School, Costa Rica

1983, Instructor on a Community Development and Human Relations Project with a group of volunteers, AMIGOS, to work in Latin America, Houston, Texas

1978, instructor of courses in volunteering at the Federation of Volunteer Organizations, since 1978

President of the Institute of Social Training and Assistance (IMAS) at San José, Costa Rica

1977-1982, served as Secretary of the Administrative Council of the Institute Andrea Jiménez, for children and adolescents with mental retardation

1979-1981, Coordinator of the Training Department of the Federation of Voluntary Organizations

1981-1982, President and Founder of the Unión de Hogarcitos (Small Homes for Children)

1980-1986, President and Founder of the association "Children's Home" of Santo Domingo de Heredia, a private institution that cares for abandoned children and orphans

1981, Member of the Council on placement of minors at the National Bureau of Children

1982, Acted as member of the Administrative Bureau of the National Bureau of Children

1986 to date, Executive Coordinator of the programme "Let's Live Better", Costa Rica

1988-1989, President of the Association for Socio-Economic Development (APRODESE)

Member of the Delta Kappa Gamma International Society

Active member of the International Association for Volunteer Effort (IAVE) since 1984

Active Member of the International Society of Educators

Member of the Advisory Board of the Global Harmony Foundation (projects for social development, Geneva)

Distinctions include honourary mention from the University of Costa Rica as an honour student during her whole career

Recognition plaque as a Member of the Executive Council of the Andrea Jiménez Institute on the occasion of the International Year of the Disabled, 1981

Honour scroll for her efforts serving "her fellow human beings" (al servicio de sus semejantes) from the Union of American Women (UMA), Berta Gerli Chapter, 1982

Scroll as Promoter of Democracy (Forjador de la Democracia), issued by the Association Pro-Democracy of Costa Rica, 1988

Invited by Cody International Institute to participate in "Women in Development: International Consultation" at the University of St. Francis Xavier in Antigonish, Nova Scotia, Canada

1984, First Latin American Meeting of Volunteer Work, in Medellín, Colombia

World Congress of the International Association for Volunteer Effort (IAVE), Bogotá, Colombia, 1984

1986, Workshop on Community Development "Let's Live Better" in Switzerland and Costa Rica

1988, Workshop on evaluation of community programmes, "Let's Live Better" and workshop on Adults Formation, Switzerland and Costa Rica

Scholarship to visit projects on Nutrition and Sexual Education in Oregon, United States of America, granted by the association Fellows of the Americas, November 1988

Ngo Ba THAN (Viet Nam)

[Original: English]

Place and date of birth: Hanoi, Viet Nam, 25 September 1931

Profession: Doctor in Law, MP. Chairman of the law commission of the National Assembly

Nationality: Vietnamese

Religious affiliation: Buddhist - legal Advisor of the Buddist Nuns Congregation, Viet Nam Unified Buddhist Church

Social affiliation

Vice President, Viet Nam Women's Union, Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF), International Executive Committee member for Asia/Pacific

Vice President of the Child Welfare and Protection Committee, Ho Chi Minh City

Steering Committee member, Viet Nam Lawyers' Association

Education

High School in French Catholic School, Hanoi, Dalat

Universities (graduate, post-graduate, research, teaching)

Doctor in Law, University of Paris (1961), Levy-Ullmann Award granted to the best comparative law doctorate thesis

Doctor in Law, University of Barcelona (1962)
Thesis "Cum laude", published by Editorial Hispano-Europa

Master of Comparative Law, Columbia University (New York) and internship at the Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations Secretariat (1959)

Diploma in English Law, the City of London College, and Post Graduate Degree in Comparative Law, International University for the Teaching of Comparative Law, Strasburg, France

Professional activities

From 1976 to present: Deputy to the National Assembly, Member of the Law Commission, (Sixth and Seventh Legislatures), Chairperson of the Law Commission (Eighth Legislature). Member of the Constitution Committee

Founding member and Vice President of the Child Welfare and Child Protection Committee, Ho Chi Minh City, from 1976 to present

Member of the Draft Committee of the Decree on Children's Protection, Care and Education, International Year of the Child, 1979

Proponent in the name of the Chairperson of the Law Commission of the National Assembly for ratification by the State Council of the Convention on the Rights of the Child following the signing by the Government, thus helping make the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam the first country in Asia and the second in the world to ratify the Convention

Resource person, South-East Asia Meeting on the Rights of the Child, Bangkok, August 1990

Speaker at the seminar co-sponsored by the Viet Nam Child Welfare and Child Protection Committee and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) - Viet Nam on the Convention on the Rights of the Child and the immediate tasks for the whole country to implement the convention, on "The Valuable Experiences of Ten Years' Implementation of the Decree on Children's Protection, Care and Education and the Drafting of a New Law in Line with the Convention on the Rights of the Child"

A full list of professional activities is available for consultation in the files of the Secretariat.

Relevant publications

"The law-making process and the incorporation of the Convention on the Rights of the Child in national legislation: the draft law on children's protection, care and education", the Law Review, Hanoi, 1991

A complete list of relevant publications is available for consultation in the files of the Secretariat.

Vaclav VACEK (Czechoslovakia)

[Original: English]

Born: 19 November 1929 in Prague

Nationality: Czechoslovak

Education and relevant experience

1953 Graduated from the Charles University, School of Medicine and Public Health, Prague

1960 Expert with the Ministry of Public Health of the People's Republic of Albania (involved in assessing the quality of health care and the best use of available resources in the control of infectious diseases)

1961 Ph.D.

1962-1967 Lecturer in infectious diseases and epidemiology, Charles University, School of Medicine and Public Health, Prague

1968 Appointed Associate Professor

1978 DrSc. (advanced scientific degree)

1980 Appointed Professor of Epidemiology and Infectious Diseases, Charles University, School of Medicine and Public Health, Prague, and Head, Department of Infectious Diseases, University Bulovka Hospital, Prague

1981-1986 Deputy Minister of Health. In this capacity was involved in the organization and evaluation of research programmes in both clinical and social medicine, including social paediatrics

In the field of foreign relations in international medical cooperation and medical and public health aid to developing countries, took part in a World Health Organization (WHO) seminar for leading health organizers

1983-1990 Chairman of the Czechoslovak Committee for Cooperation with UNICEF (see below)

Present position: Professor of Epidemiology and Infectious Diseases, Charles University, Third School of Medicine and Head, Department of Infectious Diseases, University Bulovka Hospital, Prague

Other activities

1972-1988	Member of the Executive of the Czechoslovak Society for Infectious Diseases
1968	Member of the Executive of the Czechoslovak Society for Chemotherapy
1987-1989	Member of the Executive of the Czechoslovak Medical Association
1984	Member of the Panel of Experts of WHO
1990	Member of the Editorial Advisory Board of Medical Audit News, a bimonthly publication for quality assurance of health care and related problems, published in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

In the capacity of Chairman of the Czechoslovak Committee for UNICEF:

1985	After the Warsaw Colloquium, organized an expert discussion on the Draft Convention on the Rights of the Child within the National Committee and among selected experts of relevant ministries, and submitted a summary of views and suggestions to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
1986-1989	Gave several press conferences about the Convention
1989	Was appointed head of the Czechoslovak delegation to the Budapest Conference of the Eastern European Countries on the Convention
1989	Organized the publication of the full text of the Convention in Czech in the local press
1988-1989	A special task force of the National Committee compiled the report entitled "State of Children in Czechoslovakia"